IN THE CLAIMS

- 1. (Currently amended) A device comprising:
 - a network interface for coupling to a network; and
- a processor coupled with the network interface, wherein the processor is adapted to

transmit a call setup message to a <u>called</u> device through a network to establish a connection session for exchanging data;

receive from the called device a reply message;

analyze the reply message for inclusion of an attribute of the called device associated with the connection session;

infer from the reply message an the attribute of the device for the connection session that is not included in the reply message; and

transmit data to the called device using the inferred attribute.

- 2. (Currently amended) The device of claim 1, wherein the inferred attribute is a codec type of the device or a maximum allowable jitter or burst size associated with data that may be received by the device.
- (Original) The device of claim 1, wherein the inferred attribute is a maximum bandwidth that the device may receive data in.
- 4. (Currently amended) A device comprising:

 a network interface for coupling to a network; and
 a processor coupled with the network interface, wherein the processor is
 adapted to

transmit a call setup message to a device through a network to establish a connection session for exchanging data;

receive from the device a reply message;

analyze the reply message;

infer from the reply message an attribute of the device for the connection session that is not included in the reply message; and transmit data to the device using the inferred attribute. The device of claim 1, wherein

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the reply message includes an identifying number of a port that the device will be using to transmit data from, and

the inferred attribute is the port number that will be used by the device to receive data from, inferred as a function of the identified port number.

- (Original) The device of claim 4, wherein the inferred port number is the same as the identified port number.
- 6. (Original) The device of claim 1, wherein the call setup message is an H.323 version 3 fastStart type message; and the reply message is an RSVP Path type message.
- 7. (Currently amended) A device comprising:

 a network interface for coupling to a network; and
 a processor coupled with the network interface, wherein the processor is
 adapted to

transmit a call setup message to a device through a network to establish a connection session for exchanging data;

receive from the device a reply message;

analyze the reply message:

infer from the reply message an attribute of the device for the connection session that is not included in the reply message;

transmit data to the device using the inferred attribute; and The device of claim 1, wherein the processor is further adapted to:

decide that information about the attribute will not be forthcoming prior to inferring.

- (Original) The device of claim 7, wherein
 deciding is performed by determining that the reply message was received
 before information about the attribute was received.
- (Original) The device of claim 7, wherein
 the call setup message is an H.323 version 3 fastStart type message; and
 the reply message is an RSVP Path type message.

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10. (Currently amended) A device comprising:

a network interface for coupling to a network; and

a processor coupled with the network interface, wherein the processor is adapted to

receive a call setup message from a <u>calling</u> device through a network to establish a connection for exchanging data;

configure a first port to transmit data through, during the connection; configure a second port to receive data from, during the connection;

transmit to the <u>calling</u> device a reply message identifying the first port as a port to transmit from, but not identifying the second port; and

receive data addressed to the second port in response to the reply message, wherein the calling device infers from the reply message an identify of the second port.

11. (Currently amended) A device comprising:

a network interface for coupling to a network; and

a processor coupled with the network interface, wherein the processor is adapted to

receive a call setup message from a device through a network to establish a connection for exchanging data;

configure a first port to transmit data through, during the connection;

configure a second port to receive data from, during the connection;

transmit to the device a reply message identifying the first port as a port to transmit from, but not identifying the second port; and

receive data addressed to the second port in response to the reply message. The method of claim 10, wherein

an identifying number of the second port has a preset relationship with an identifying number of the first port.

12. (Original) The method of claim 11, wherein

the identifying number of the second port equals the identifying number of the first port.

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- 13. (Original) The device of claim 10, wherein the call setup message is an H.323 version 3 fastStart type message; and the reply message is an RSVP Path type message.
- 14. (Currently amended) A device comprising:

means for transmitting a call setup message to a device through a network to establish a connection session for exchanging data;

means for receiving from the device a reply message;

means for analyzing the reply message for inclusion of an attribute of the device associated with the connection session;

means for inferring from the reply message an the attribute of the device for the connection session that is not included in the reply message; and

means for transmitting data to the device using the inferred attribute.

- 15. (Currently amended) The device of claim 14, wherein the inferred attribute is a codec type of the device or a maximum allowable jitter or burst size associated with data that may be received by the device.
- 16. (Original) The device of claim 14, wherein the inferred attribute is a maximum bandwidth that the device may receive data in.
- 17. (Currently amended) A device comprising:

means for transmitting a call setup message to a device through a network to establish a connection session for exchanging data;

means for receiving from the device a reply message;

means for analyzing the reply message;

means for inferring from the reply message an attribute of the device for the connection session that is not included in the reply message; and means for transmitting data to the device using the inferred attribute. The device of elaim 14, wherein

the reply message includes an identifying number of a port that the device will be using to transmit data from, and

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the inferred attribute is the port number that will be used by the device to receive data from, inferred as a function of the identified port number.

- (Original) The device of claim 17, wherein the inferred port number is the same as the identified port number.
- 19. (Original) The device of claim 14, wherein the call setup message is an H.323 version 3 fastStart type message; and the reply message is an RSVP Path type message.
- 20. (Currently amended) A device comprising:

 means for transmitting a call setup message to a device through a network to

means for receiving from the device a reply message;

means for analyzing the reply message;

establish a connection session for exchanging data;

means for inferring from the reply message an attribute of the device for the connection session that is not included in the reply message;

means for transmitting data to the device using the inferred attribute; and The device

of claim 19, further comprising:

means for deciding that information about the attribute will not be forthcoming prior to inferring.

- 21. (Original) The device of claim 20, wherein deciding is performed by determining that the reply message was received before information about the attribute was received.
- 22. (Original) The device of claim 20, wherein the call setup message is an H.323 version 3 fastStart type message; and the reply message is an RSVP Path type message.
- 23. (Currently amended) A device comprising: means for receiving a call setup message from a <u>calling</u> device through a network to establish a connection for exchanging data;

means to configure a first port to transmit data through, during the connection;

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means to configure a second port to receive data from, during the connection; means to transmit to the <u>calling</u> device a reply message identifying the first port as a port to transmit from, but not identifying the second port;

means to infer from the reply message an identity of the second port, and means to receive data addressed to the second port in response to the reply message.

24. (Currently amended) A device comprising:

means for receiving a call setup message from a device through a network to establish a connection for exchanging data;

means to configure a first port to transmit data through, during the connection;
means to configure a second port to receive data from, during the connection;
means to transmit to the device a reply message identifying the first port as a
port to transmit from, but not identifying the second port; and
means to receive data addressed to the second port in response to the reply message.

The method of claim 23, wherein

an identifying number of the second port has a preset relationship with an identifying number of the first port.

- 25. (Original) The method of claim 24, wherein the identifying number of the second port equals the identifying number of the first port.
- 26. (Original) The device of claim 23, wherein the call setup message is an H.323 version 3 fastStart type message; and the reply message is an RSVP Path type message.
- 27. (Currently amended) An article comprising: a storage medium, the storage medium having instructions stored thereon, wherein when the instructions are executed by at least one device, they result in:

transmitting a call setup message to a device through a network to establish a connection session for exchanging data;

receiving from the device a reply message;

analyzing the reply message for inclusion of an attribute of the device associated with the connection session;

inferring from the reply message an the attribute of the device for the connection session that is not included in the reply message; and transmitting data to the device using the inferred attribute.

- 28. (Currently amended) The device of claim 27, wherein the inferred attribute is a codec type of the device or a maximum allowable jitter or burst size associated with data that may be received by the device.
- 29. (Original) The device of claim 27, wherein the inferred attribute is a maximum bandwidth that the device may receive data in.
- 30. (Currently amended) An article comprising: a storage medium, the storage medium having instructions stored thereon, wherein when the instructions are executed by at least one device, they result in:

transmitting a call setup message to a device through a network to establish a connection session for exchanging data;

receiving from the device a reply message;

analyzing the reply message;

inferring from the reply message an attribute of the device for the connection session that is not included in the reply message; and transmitting data to the device using the inferred attribute, The device of claim 27,

the reply message includes an identifying number of a port that the device will be using to transmit data from, and

the inferred attribute is the port number that will be used by the device to receive data from, inferred as a function of the identified port number.

- (Original) The device of claim 30, wherein
 the inferred port number is the same as the identified port number.
- 32. (Original) The article of claim 27, wherein

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wherein

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the call setup message is an H.323 version 3 fastStart type message; and the reply message is an RSVP Path type message.

33. (Currently amended) An article comprising: a storage medium, the storage medium having instructions stored thereon, wherein when the instructions are executed by at least one device, they result in:

transmitting a call setup message to a device through a network to establish a connection session for exchanging data;

receiving from the device a reply message:

analyzing the reply message;

inferring from the reply message an attribute of the device for the connection session that is not included in the reply message;

transmitting data to the device using the inferred attribute; and The article of claim 27, wherein the instructions further result in:

deciding that information about the attribute will not be forthcoming prior to inferring.

- 34. (Original) The article of claim 33, wherein deciding is performed by determining that the reply message was received before information about the attribute was received.
- 35. (Original) The article of claim 33, wherein the call setup message is an H.323 version 3 fastStart type message; and the reply message is an RSVP Path type message.
- 36. (Currently amended) An article comprising: a storage medium, the storage medium having instructions stored thereon, wherein when the instructions are executed by at least one device, they result in:

receiving a call setup message from a <u>calling</u> device through a network to establish a connection for exchanging data;

configuring a first port to transmit data through, during the connection; configuring a second port to receive data from, during the connection; transmitting to the calling device a reply message identifying the first port as a port to transmit from, but not identifying the second port;

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inferring from the reply message an identify of the second port; and receiving data addressed to the second port in response to the reply message.

37. (Currently amended) An article comprising: a storage medium, the storage medium having instructions stored thereon, wherein when the instructions are executed by at least one device, they result in:

receiving a call setup message from a device through a network to establish a connection for exchanging data:

configuring a first port to transmit data through, during the connection;
configuring a second port to receive data from, during the connection;

transmitting to the device a reply message identifying the first port as a port to transmit from, but not identifying the second port; and receiving data addressed to the second port in response to the reply message. The method of claim 36, wherein

an identifying number of the second port has a preset relationship with an identifying number of the first port.

- 38. (Original) The method of claim 37, wherein the identifying number of the second port equals the identifying number of the first port.
- 39. (Original) The article of claim 36, wherein the call setup message is an H.323 version 3 fastStart type message; and the reply message is an RSVP Path type message.
- 40. (Currently amended) A method comprising:

transmitting a call setup message to a device through a network to establish a connection session for exchanging data;

receiving from the device a reply message;

analyzing the reply message for inclusion of an attribute of the device associated with the connection session;

inferring from the reply message an the attribute of the device for the connection session that is not included in the reply message; and transmitting data to the device using the inferred attribute.

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- 41. (Currently amended) The device of claim 40, wherein the inferred attribute is a codec type of the device or a maximum allowable jitter or burst size associated with data that may be received by the device.
- 42. (Original) The device of claim 40, wherein the inferred attribute is a maximum bandwidth that the device may receive data in.
- 43. (Currently amended) A method comprising:

 transmitting a call setup message to a device through a network to establish a connection session for exchanging data;

receiving from the device a reply message;

analyzing the reply message;

inferring from the reply message an attribute of the device for the connection session that is not included in the reply message; and

transmitting data to the device using the inferred attribute. The device of claim 40, wherein

the reply message includes an identifying number of a port that the device will be using to transmit data from, and

the inferred attribute is the port number that will be used by the device to receive data from, inferred as a function of the identified port number.

- 44. (Original) The device of claim 43, whereinthe inferred port number is the same as the identified port number.
- 45. (Original) The method of claim 40, wherein the call setup message is an H.323 version 3 fastStart type message; and the reply message is an RSVP Path type message.
- 46. (Currently amended) A method comprising:

 transmitting a call setup message to a device through a network to establish a connection session for exchanging data;

receiving from the device a reply message;

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analyzing the reply message;

inferring from the reply message an attribute of the device for the connection session that is not included in the reply message;

transmitting data to the device using the inferred attribute; and The device of claim 40, further comprising:

deciding that information about the attribute will not be forthcoming prior to inferring.

- 47. (Original) The method of claim 46, wherein deciding is performed by determining that the reply message was received before information about the attribute was received.
- 48. (Original) The method of claim 46, wherein the call setup message is an H.323 version 3 fastStart type message; and the reply message is an RSVP Path type message.
- 49. (Currently amended) A method comprising:

receiving a call setup message from a device through a network to establish a connection for exchanging data;

configuring a first port to transmit data through, during the connection; configuring a second port to receive data from, during the connection; transmitting to the device a reply message identifying the first port as a port to transmit from, but not identifying the second port;

inferring from the reply message an identify of the second port; and receiving data addressed to the second port in response to the reply message.

50. (Currently amended) A method comprising:

receiving a call setup message from a device through a network to establish a connection for exchanging data;

configuring a first port to transmit data through, during the connection;

configuring a second port to receive data from, during the connection;

transmitting to the device a reply message identifying the first port as a port to

transmit from, but not identifying the second port; and

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receiving data addressed to the second port in response to the reply message, The method of claim 49, wherein

an identifying number of the second port has a preset relationship with an identifying number of the first port.

- 51. (Original) The method of claim 50, wherein the identifying number of the second port equals the identifying number of the first port.
- 52. (Original) The method of claim 49, wherein the call setup message is an H.323 version 3 fastStart type message; and the reply message is an RSVP Path type message.